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## Dictators May Embark On A Huge Winter Campaign

# PLAN TO CONQUER THE NEAR EAST

From Our Diplomatic Correspondent

**BEHIND HITLER'S HURRIEDLY-ARRANGED MEETING WITH MUSSOLINI AT THE BRENNER PASS WAS, I UNDERSTAND, THE IMPERATIVE NEED TO DRAW UP A CONCRETE PLAN OF WINTER CAMPAIGN.**

That campaign, made necessary by Hitler's failure so far to invade Britain and to cow our cities into submission by bombing, will, it is believed, take the form of the following two-fold plan:

(1) Mussolini, with the aid of German Generals, shock troops, planes and tanks, will launch a great offensive against Egypt. The aim is to capture the Suez Canal, thus opening the way for Hitler to pour more of his own troops through into the Middle East, and seize the oilfields of Arabia. After the capture of Egypt (if it is captured) German troops would also land in North-West Africa and take over Morocco.

(2) Hitler, simultaneously with the Egypt drive, will intensify his air war on Britain. He had to confess to Mussolini that his plans for invasion were not now so hopeful as they were a few months ago, but he has not entirely abandoned them yet.

## WHAT HITLER WANTS

As a further move, Hitler is reported to be trying to line up the Five Dictator countries—Germany, Italy, Russia, Spain and Japan—in a United Front against the British Empire, and to threaten a combined stroke by all five Powers against various parts of the Empire, unless Britain at once undertakes to accept his terms of peace.

These "Peace Terms," now being drawn up, will point out that Hitler is not anxious to spread the war and increase the slaughter—that all he wants to do is to reorganise Europe on the basis of his New Order, to reorganise a New Order for Africa, under which it would be shared between Germany and Italy, and to reorganise a New Order for Asia, under which it would be shared by Germany, Russia and Japan.

Another "New Order" would be created in South America, where all the plums would be given to Spain.

Whether he is able to line-up the five Powers remains to be seen. Japan is not too anxious to jump into the war yet, because she knows that U.S.A. will come in as well if she does. Spain is not anxious to come in.

And Russia suspects too deeply Hitler's motives against her own territory—especially the Ukraine—to be dragged any farther than is possible at the tail of the Nazi chariot.

But whether Hitler achieves his line-up or not will not make any difference to one thing.

Britain will fight on—and will fight on with more intensity than ever before.

There will be more ferocious bombing of Germany—the significance of the appointment of the hitherto Commander of the Bomber Command as Chief of the Air Staff should not be lost sight of.

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## A CHEF'S LIFE— WITH THE LID OFF!

LOOK AT THIS SMILE. YOU WOULD THINK THAT A MAN WHO COULD HAVE SUCH AN INFECTIOUS GRIN HADN'T A CARE IN THE WORLD. WOULDN'T YOU? BUT JAMES ARROL THOMSON, CHEF AT THE DEVEREUX, LONDON, HAS NO HOME AND NO POSSESSIONS EXCEPT THE SUIT IN WHICH HE WORKS. A FEW NIGHTS AGO HIS HOUSE AND ALL HIS BELONGINGS WERE DESTROYED IN A RAID.

## R.A.F. Fighters Rout Mass Attack

# 23 Raiders Down In Day Battles

AT LEAST TWENTY-THREE GERMAN AIRCRAFT WERE SHOT DOWN IN ENGAGEMENTS OVER THIS COUNTRY YESTERDAY, THE AIR MINISTRY ANNOUNCED LAST NIGHT. NINE OF OUR FIGHTERS ARE MISSING, BUT FOUR PILOTS ARE SAFE.

Many of the German planes were destroyed in a three-hour battle in which R.A.F. fighters fought 70 German bombers and fighters over the Kentish coast. Three of the raiders dived into the Channel; three others were shot down in flames in three minutes over Ashford.

A tornado of fighters burst the German formations wide open. One array of 20 bombers which headed for London flew into the capital's defending fighters over the Thames Estuary area.

The Luftwaffe turned tail, dropping their bombs indiscriminately as they fled.

**MR. MORRISON'S ESCAPE**

Three bombs fell in an East London area just before Mr. Morrison, Minister for Home Security, and Admiral Evans, "Shelters" Chief, toured a number of raid refuges.

One bomb fell 100 yards from the Mayor of the borough, who was starting to meet Mr. Morrison and Admiral Evans. Another landed in a cemetery, throwing pieces of tombstones over roofs.

One or two raiders broke through to reach the Central London area, but anti-aircraft fire drove them off, no bombs being dropped.

One bomb fell near a tram in South-East London, killing the driver and injuring several passengers. The bomb fell near a well-known school. A water main was burst.

"The tram remained upright," an eye-witness said, "but most of its windows were broken."

**HOUSES DIVE-BOMBED**

Two aerial battles were watched by racegoers at a S.E. London greyhound track. Vapour trails from the machines made twisting patterns in the sky, but the machines themselves could not be seen.

Seven people were killed, including four women and a girl of twelve, when bombs fell on working-class streets in a South-East London town.

At another South-Eastern town, though a number of houses were demolished and many damaged, there was only one casualty—a man injured.

One man who threw himself flat as a bomb dropped two yards from him was blown several feet into the air, but was unhurt.

Dive-bombers on a residential part of a Thames Estuary town wrecked four houses, injuring three people.

Enemy planes were also reported near towns in the North-East, the Midlands and South-West during the day.

**HASTINGS ATTACKED**

Here is the Air Ministry's account of yesterday's air fighting:

"During today the enemy has made a number of attacks over the Kent and Sussex coast by forces of several squadrons. All have been broken up and repulsed by our defences before they developed seriously.

"Reports received up to 7.30 p.m. show that bombs have been dropped on a number of coast towns and a few were also dropped in the London area. Very little damage was done, but a number of houses were demolished at Hastings, which was twice attacked, and in the Medway area.

"In all these attacks the number of casualties was very small, though some were fatal.

"Twenty-three enemy aircraft have been destroyed. Nine of our fighters are missing, but four of our pilots are safe."

Early last night a lone raider, flying fairly low over the London area, was violently engaged by local batteries. The plane dropped some bombs.

## U-BOAT BOMBED OUT OF WATER

A U-BOAT WAS BLOWN OUT OF THE WATER AND DESTROYED BY BOMBS DROPPED FROM A SUNDERLAND FLYING BOAT. IN THE ATLANTIC A SHORT TIME AGO.

## CITRINE IS GOING TO AMERICA

SIR WALTER CITRINE, general secretary of the T.U.C., is leaving for the United States after the annual Congress at Southport this week, to attend the American Federation of Labour Convention at New Orleans.

He is going at the invitation of the American Federation, and will convey the fraternal greetings of the British trade union movement. Sir Walter also hopes to meet members of European trade unions who are exiled in the United States.

## V.C. OF LAST WAR NOW A BRIGADIER

PROMOTION of Lt.-Col. (Acting-Brigadier) J. G. Smyth, V.C., Indian Army, to be temporary Brigadier is officially announced in War Office orders.

He won the V.C. in May, 1915, when his example in charge of a Sikh bombing party, in captured German trenches, enabled them to persevere until only three Hunns survived.

Viscount Anson, Grenadier Guards, who is promoted from Lieutenant (Acting Captain) to temporary Captain, is married to a niece of the Queen.

The King and Queen and the two Princesses attended the wedding at St. Margaret's, Westminster, in 1938.

The first salvo of bombs from the Sunderland, operating with the Coastal Command, brought the U-boat to the surface.

The second salvo, dropped a minute later, caught it as it was again sinking in a welter of foam, and threw it up once more like a cork blown from a bottle.

It fell back and sank at once, the pilot then dropped a third salvo of bombs above the spot where the submarine had disappeared "just to make sure."

The U-boat had made a torpedo attack on a merchant ship under cover of darkness some hours previously and had travelled many miles from its victim before the aircraft found it.

Here is the story of the destruction told by the Sunderland's captain.

**PILOT'S STORY**  
"The weather was pretty thick," he said, "but my second pilot spotted the conning-tower of the U-boat 300 yards on our port side. "It began to submerge, and by the time we had reached the spot it had completely disappeared. As we passed over the swirl left by the submerging U-boat we let go a salvo."

"The bombs apparently got just under the submarine before they went off. It was terrific."

"In the middle of all the foam the submarine was lying tilted over a little, with its decks awash. It sank again before we got back, but we turned and dropped another salvo plumb in the middle of the patch of foam."

"Up came the U-boat once more, but this time it rocketed out of the water at such an angle that we could see daylight between it and the sea."

## He Sat On Fire AIRMAN V.C. TELLS HIS STORY

THOUGH A FIGHT WITH FIRE IN A BLAZING BOMBER THOUSANDS OF FEET UP WON SERGT. JOHN HANNAH THE V.C., HE STILL SAYS THAT MOST OF THE CREDIT OUGHT TO GO TO PILOT-OFFICER CONNOR.

"People don't fully realise that while I was doing my best with the fire he was sitting up aloft as cool as a cucumber taking no notice of the flames which were only two or three feet away from him or the bullets which were either whizzing close to his head or hitting the armoured-plating just above," he said yesterday.

Sergeant Hannah said that he had to replace his helmet because "I was afraid my hair would catch alight."

"The fumes began to suffocate me, so I climbed to my own upper cockpit, opened the turrets, and came up for air."

"I did this two or three times before I returned to the fire, over which I managed to get some control."

"After a while I came up for air again. It was a difficult business, putting flames out, because as soon as I had got rid of one fire another took its place. Half-way through I found myself sitting in the fire, but my thick flying suit saved me from injury."

## Nazi Bombers Attack Warship

From Reuter's Special Correspondent with the Home Fleet.

IT CAN NOW BE REVEALED THAT A FEW DAYS AGO A FORMATION OF TWENTY GERMAN MACHINES ATTEMPTED TO MAKE A DIVE BOMBING ATTACK ON A BRITISH WARSHIP LYING NEAR THIS PORT.

All the bombs went wide. Five of the bombers were shot down—three crashing in the water and two on land. Apart from a few broken windows in neighbouring houses, and a few small bomb craters showing in the mud at low tide, there is no evidence here to show that bombs have fallen at all.

Coming direct from incessantly-raided London to join the Home Fleet, I cannot but record my astonished admiration for the defences of this port.

Although its dockyard and big

naval establishment must afford a most tempting target for bombers—and indeed raids are frequent, running to two and three a day in addition to the usual long warning at night—there is not the slightest evidence of damage wherever one goes.

Within an hour of my arrival an air battle, in which thirty planes took part, was fought out at an immense height above the anchored warships.

The following morning another large-scale battle took place in exactly the same spot, but no bombs fell.

## More Money For Workless

# MEANS TEST WILL GO

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

**HALF A MILLION UNEMPLOYED WILL BENEFIT BY THE ABOLITION OF THE HOUSEHOLD MEANS TEST WHICH MR. ERNEST BEVIN, MINISTER OF LABOUR, WILL ANNOUNCE WHEN PARLIAMENT REASSEMBLES.**

A personal means test, concerned only with the individual means of the applicant himself, will be substituted.

This will mean an immediate increase in weekly payments of several shillings for the majority of the applicants.

Hitherto, when payments have been assessed, Unemployment Assistance Board officials have taken into account the earnings and other incomes of all members of the household.

Thus, if an unemployed man's wife, son or daughter were wage-earners, or even a remote relative was living in the household, his payment was cut down by a variable amount, according to the total sum coming into the home.

Trade unions have represented to the Minister that this frequently imposed an unfair burden on sons and daughters who were saving up to get married, or who were trying to accumulate a little nest egg—in the case of the sons—before they went into the Army.

Daughters, too, who are engaged to men in the Services are also penalised under the present regulations, because a part of their income has to be earmarked for keeping the unemployed father.

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## READY TO FIGHT

Japanese Premier  
Warns The U.S.

Tokyo, Saturday.  
JAPAN, Germany and Italy are prepared to "fight it out" if the United States should challenge them over the conclusion of the three-Power Pact, Prince Konoye, the Japanese Prime Minister, declared in a Press interview, the first since Japan signed the alliance with the Axis.

The three Powers were willing, he said, to co-operate with the United States if the latter would co-operate with them.

"War or peace in the Pacific depends on the extent to which Japan and the United States can undertake to respect each other's interests respectively in the Eastern and Western hemispheres," the Prime Minister stated.

The three signatories to the Pact were willing to co-operate with the United States if the latter would co-operate with them in the construction of a new world order.

Prince Konoye admitted that diplomatic moves were being made to induce the Soviet Union and the United States and others to "suspend their pro-Chiang Kai-Shek policy,"—Reuter.

## FOOD FOR FRANCE GRABBED BY NAZIS

Zurich, Saturday.

FOUR-FIFTHS of food cargoes arriving in Marseilles from Algeria and elsewhere have been commandeered for German troops in occupied France, according to a traveller just arrived in Zurich from Marseilles.

He reports a disastrous shortage of everything, approaching a state of famine. There has been no butter for months, bread is not sold until six days old, and women queue up for hours for an ounce of cheese.

Even fish is scarce in France's largest fishing port owing to lack of petrol for the fishing boats.—B.U.P.

## Enemy Supply Railway Wrecked

A RAILWAY line outside Cherbourg, used by the Germans for bringing up supplies, was wrecked by Blenheims of the Coastal Command in a daylight raid on Friday, the Air Ministry announced yesterday.

Direct hits left the rails twisted and useless, with big craters in the track. A hangar near by was also damaged.

Another successful attack was made on the German-occupied aerodrome at Bleville, near Le Havre, where a direct hit set one of the hangars ablaze.

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# FOOD

## FACTS No. 11

THIS is no time to neglect your meals. You must keep up your health and strength. Learn the art of making one-pot dishes combining a number of essential foods (you'll find a recipe for one below). Bread and potatoes will give you bodily warmth, and energy to cope with present difficulties.

### ON THE KITCHEN FRONT

#### One-pot Meal

It is perfectly easy to have good hot meals without much heat in cooking. The following dish is a particularly appetising and useful one. Cut into convenient pieces 2 lbs. of any stewing meat, such as skirt of beef, ox-cheek or shin of beef and put in a casserole. Add a teaspoonful of rice, 2 or 3 carrots, an onion and a piece of swede, all sliced. Season with salt and pepper and add a bay leaf if liked. Pour in enough hot water to cover and top with slices of raw potato. Put on the lid and cook in the oven at the lowest possible heat for at least 5 hours. If you don't want to use the oven, put the covered casserole into a large saucepan with boiling water coming as far up the sides of the casserole as possible. Put on the saucepan lid and cook over a glimmer of heat for at least 3 hours, replenishing the boiling water if necessary.

#### Carried Meal

The carried meal can be made attractive if you give thought to it, and sandwiches are apt to

become monotonous. Delicious and satisfying meals can be made in little fireproof dishes or basins, and if the contents are firm enough, these can easily be carried. Here are two suggestions: Shepherd's Pie with a good covering of grated breadcrumbs, and a layer of chutney on the bottom of the dish if liked; or Kedgeree made with rice and canned salmon. Both these dishes may be heated up, but they are very good cold, too. If possible eat them with a little salad.

#### Hints on Storing Potatoes

Anyone can store potatoes successfully provided these rules are observed:

1. The potatoes must be dry. Dig them in fine weather and leave them on the surface to dry for a few hours. If necessary complete drying under cover and in the dark.

2. Store in boxes or sacks in a frostproof building. All light must be excluded to prevent the potatoes from greening. Cover them with sacking or a thick layer of straw or bracken.

Turn on your wireless at 8.15 every morning to hear useful hints and recipes

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### How to Lessen Air Raid Noise

A USEFUL HINT FROM A B.B.C. TALK

EVERYBODY has been told that noise is one of the worst disadvantages of an air raid. An air raid sounds much more dangerous than it really is. Unless you do something to counteract this noise your nerves are bound to suffer. You may even find yourself for prompt and cool action upon which your life and the lives of others depend. How can this noise be modified? The answer has been given in a recent broadcast. The speaker, who had experienced over 100 air raids in Spain and Holland, said: "Both my wife and I have found it very helpful to damp down noise by putting cotton wool in our ears... some people find it a good thing to smear some 'Vaseline' on it." "Vaseline" Petroleum Jelly forms a sound-dampening coating that cotton wool alone cannot produce. Doctors recommend it for protecting the skin inside the ear from inflammation.

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# AS Chamberlain SEES IT

SO the last of the Chamberlains has gone... Nearly two weeks ago, I asked, under a big heading, "Why Doesn't Neville Resign?" After announcing that he had been almost continually absent from the War Cabinet for many weeks, I expressed wonder as to what was happening to his "Steering Committee," which was supposed to co-ordinate the co-ordinators.

Now, this was the first public announcement of Neville's continued illness. It had been kept a secret. You would have thought Chamberlain's absence from the Cabinet would have been either explained or denied. But no one admitted he was ill. No one denied he was ill. Apparently it did not matter to anybody whether he was co-ordinating the co-ordinators or not. And this in the middle of a great war!

When Chamberlain was originally ill, a member of the War Cabinet assured me he would not return. Then he did return. His obstinacy again conquered his judgment.

Besides, apparently, the Margessons and the other bosses of the cracking Tory machine had to be placated, although, if they went to the country and opposed Winston now, they would not get ten votes.

Well, at last, Chamberlain has gone. And there passes from the Parliamentary scene the ghost of a man as much a shot as I, indeed, was Ramsay MacDonald in his last days of office.

MACDONALD, a few years before, could rouse vast audiences. At the end, when he stood up in the House, he could not remember his words! It was pitiful.

Chamberlain, who, two years ago, looked like the Deputy Master of the World—Hitler, of course, was the real boss—was so shocked by the collapse of all his dreams, and then later by the ruthless way in which he was driven from the highest office, that his disconsolate gloom, as he sat beside Winston in the Commons, made you feel sorry for him.

Yet, two years previously, he was hailed, in that same assembly, almost as the saviour of mankind!

I must pay tribute to a man of sterling honesty, whatever may be his political views, and to a personal reputation was beyond reproach. Narrow-minded and pig-headed though he was, his high character was beyond criticism. The pity was that, the more stupid was his lack of judgment, the more he thought he was right.

The least talented of the three Chamberlains, he won a Premiership that both his father and brother deserved much more. Now, like Baldwin, of Abdication fame, the Mar. Mar. Munch has passed into the shades.

Why Wasn't Halifax Cleared Out?

STILL it would have been of more importance to the country if Halifax had gone instead of Chamberlain. Neville, after all, was ineffective. Halifax still stands in the way of an understanding with Russia, which might shorten the war by a year—a year that each day costs £8,800,000—and a realisation of the fact that this is a war between the Right and the Left.

Once again, we have let some French warships through Gibraltar. When, three weeks before, a French squadron passed through the Straits, we were soon to learn that our having been so nice and kind to Pétain and Laval, the anti-British traitors, was to be followed by the use of those ships against the plans of "Free France" for Africa.

To our surprise, we read last week that Washington was dealing with Moscow, that it had been left to the Americans to talk France to Russia about the new situation in the Far East. The Stafford Cripps mission is said to have failed. "The most that Russia will do now," I am told, "is to stop out of the war."

I am more and more disturbed about our Foreign Office and its lack of policy.

Halifax told us on the air about the New World that was going to be. How can you get a new world by being so meek to the Fascists of Japan, still behaving as though France the murderer of modern Spain, were a gallant Christian gentleman, and, by default, helping Pétain to play the game of Germany?

Churchill made some good changes last week. But he dodged the biggest issue of all—our foreign policy, which is mixed up with war aims and propaganda and high strategy, and on which everything depends.

ANY war against the Nazis which does not include an effort to separate huge segments of German people from the Nazi regime, declares Richard Boyer, an American journalist just back from Germany, "constitutes a mistake that Hitler would never make."

The truth is more than that—that everywhere in the conquered countries we must separate huge segments of other people from the Nazi regime.

And yet Sir John Anderson, when Minister of Home Security, Wonderful as has been the



"Beyond the Pale"—Some of the "enemy aliens" in "the big round-up."

threw into concentration camps, at the dictation of scared Brass Hats in the War Office, hundreds of anti-Nazis who could have helped us in this all-important task.

This has been one of the cardinal blunders of the war. Yet how can you expect the ladylike diplomats in the Foreign Office to accept advice from the working-class Reds and Jews and Radicals? These despised folk know more about Germany and Austria and the conquered lands than the Foreign Office would learn if it sent all its underlings to tea-parties for the rest of their lives.

But they are beyond the pale.

I WONDER what influence I had on the sudden appointment of Herbert Morrison as Minister for Home Security? For three weeks Father Groser, the Anglo-Catholic priest in Stepney, and the Rev. W. W. Paton, a Presbyterian minister in West Ham, had been trying to get the East End's homeless poor—better shelters, food and evacuation.

Yet, although six Ministries were involved, not one could do anything. At last I took them in their despair to Beaverbrook, who, in spite of all his worries, can at least be seen.

"Only Morrison can solve the problem," we all three told him. Beaverbrook promised to see Winston that afternoon, and did so. The next day Morrison's appointment became one of the other Cabinet changes.

Now we three had merely expressed what was the wish of hundreds of thousands of Londoners. The East End mudslide was a national scandal. Morrison, more than any other man, understands the many complications of London's government, which Balfour intensified a year ago when he created 28 boroughs.

At last, while London wanted a Boss, it needed also a man whose powers would extend outside the metropolis, so that he could not only order evacuation, but see it carried out in the provinces. The Home Office post was the place in which to do it.

### Our Idle Army Should Be Used!

SO Herbert Morrison, moved from the Ministry of Supply, to a most difficult job, now has one that is even worse. Scores of thousands of people look to him for sanctuary, for some semblance of comfort, for some glimpse of hope.

Another good appointment is that of Lord Cranborne, who has replaced, as Secretary for the Dominions, the utterly ineffective Caldecote.

Cranborne, who shared with his chief, Anthony Eden, dislike of being "blackmailed" by Mussolini and Hitler, the days of Appeasement, walked out of the Foreign Office when Eden was sacked. Eden should now go back.

AS for Sir John Reith, who has had three jobs in eight months, the Office of Works, which he fills, is now the Ministry of Works and Buildings. They say that his will be the post-war job of re-planning and re-building when shattered towns of England must be reconstructed. I hope he will last long enough.

Well, this needs more than a man. It needs the vision of the artist, a ruthless disregard of vested interests, and the imagination of a Wren.

MEANWHILE, there are all over London thousands of wrecked homes which have not been cleared away. Bodies lie among the debris. People have even feared that, for days, living people have been left there. Wonderful as has been the

work of the A.R.P., there have not been enough men engaged on demolition. Some of the A.R.P. people, elderly men, are not strong enough for the job. And, all the time, hundreds of thousands of soldiers who have nothing to do but go through drill they have already learned, and then hang round, would welcome the chance of being given a job.

### Bright Sides Of The Pictures

NOW all that sounds very gloomy and very critical. Yet we must always remember that the complexities of war are vast and that, in extremity, the solution of one problem creates another.

I have painted the dark side of the picture. To understand the reverse—the promise and the hope—you must remember that, when the war started, we were utterly unprepared, and that, so recently as the evacuation of Dunkirk, we faced Calamity.

Then Hitler made his one big mistake of the war. If, instead of marching into France, or as an accompaniment of that invasion, he had started a wholesale bombardment of London and the Channel ports, it is almost certain we should have been defeated.

But, fortunately for us, Germans always have to start with a detailed plan which, if it breaks down, they can never alter. We can improvise. They move by rule.

When the German air-machine was let loose in our skies it was still true that we were almost hopelessly outnumbered in aircraft. But the superiority of what planes we had and the incomparable heroism and skill of our pilots saved us from destruction. Then, four weeks last night, there was released on London a Terror which no other capital could have endured. Yet, looking back on it—and it is less than a month ago—I marvel at the calm we showed.

IT may be that the high hopes that were aroused the first night we heard the big barrage, three weeks ago, have not been justified. There has been no sudden fall, either in the death-roll or in the number of ruined homes.

But as the weeks pass, we feel a little more secure. There was a short "All Clear" in the darkness. That, in itself, gave hope.

Roughly, 300 Nazi planes attack various parts of the country every night. When the blitzkrieg started, perhaps 60 per cent. got through. Then about half got through. Now only one-tenth get through.

While most people imagine that the big-gun barrage hasn't been successful because bombing still goes on, in reality it has been very successful indeed.

Even though it may not bring planes down, it deters them. The Nazi pilots feel the air rocking all about them. They are not individual fliers, as are our men. Each works, or at least tries to work, with all the other pilots.

Just as you see a lot of starlings suddenly turn back, the German pilots turn and run back to their bases. The British go on individually.

SOON the centre of war may shift from the Channel to the Mediterranean. Italy is pressing demands in Syria. More Nazi pressure on the Balkan countries must be looked for. The German navy may march into Spain, and threaten Gibraltar from the land.

Meanwhile, although the Italian advance on Egypt seems to be held up, largely because our Navy still commands the seas and

can attack the coast road whenever it pleases, it would seem that Germany plans to strengthen, with her own troops and aircraft, Italy's ineffectiveness. Fortunately, Hitler delayed this plan for weeks. It gave us a chance to send out reinforcements. It enabled the American destroyers to cross the Atlantic. Nothing has so far happened to give us grave fears.

But I must insist—and with the most serious emphasis—that not a moment should be lost in the making of planes and in the intensifying of our arms production.

Should the war spread to the Mediterranean—and it seems more likely than anything in the field of the world conflict—every aeroplane will be needed, and every shell required.

There, we are far from our base. And so there must lie our weakness.

Still, the British Navy, unchallenged, still rides the Mediterranean seas, and our pilots, whenever they see them, still drive off Mussolini's planes.

Dakar has in the last month, been the most serious happening. It was a blow to our prestige. There must be no more Dakars!

## You Will Agree

# We Need a New Sort Of Democracy

WHEN TOTAL WAR COMES IN BY THE DOOR, DEMOCRACY FLIES OUT AT THE WINDOW. THE TWO CANNOT SUCCESSFULLY EXIST TOGETHER. THE ESSENCE OF DEMOCRACY IS SLOW COUNSEL. WAR REQUIRES SWIFTNESS OF DECISION AND ACTION.

Therefore, democratic institutions are the first casualties. The hurly-burly of battle raises a smoke stifling to the voice of the people.

So there comes into power a dictatorship supported by elected parliamentary representatives no longer elected, nor representative.

By the grim necessities of war, the latter are turned into yes-men having no democratic justification. Our popular elections are gone for the duration, as surely as the night lights of our highways.

In consequence, you, and I, and our neighbours, are unable to improve by our votes those shortcomings which time has shown up.

Allow me, however, to suggest an impossible step. Let us imagine that circumstances—now, this month—could permit a general election.

Then I venture to believe that electors at the poll, abandoning party considerations, would give certain governmental dead-heads a series of resounding raspberries.

Mind you, some folks are not very discriminating. They are easily led by the garden. They are tricked by the electioneering red - herring. They fail to see wood for trees.

But the unwisdom of part of our "wise men" has so glaringly blazed forth in tragic reality that it simply couldn't be missed.

One need but exert the mildest effort of memory to recall a whole host of blunders.

Handing to Mussolini. Refusal of oil sanctions. Free passage to immense Italian war stores and men through the Suez Canal—which are embarrassing us at this moment.

Primal acquiescence to Nazi ambitions. The aeroplane shortage. The Old-age Pensions betrayal. Fawning on Japan.

And so on, almost ad infinitum, and certainly ad nauseam.

WHAT CAN ORDINARY MORTALS, LIKE YOU AND MYSELF, DO ABOUT IT? PRACTICALLY NOTHING.

Because, in this war, citizens are soldiers in the front line. So we are told.

And the front line is a place neither for thinking—nor voting. Thus runs the logic of war.

In war, soldiers are not permitted to act upon their own reasoning. They follow the dictates of brass-hats.

Which wouldn't be so bad, if one could rely on the insight and general effectiveness of these brass-hats!

But which is not so good, if these brass-hats have under them only hard-locks.

Of course, that does not go for all.

Hitler has brought to dictatorial headquarters a few figures who face situations with a verve their colleagues never had.

The unpalatable lump for us all—and you and I are expected NOT to think it over—is that despite Ministerial changes a few days ago, old unashamed elements still remain.

They hang on like the ivy on the old garden wall. Why?

HITLER IS SEEKING A NEW ORDER IN EUROPE. HE TELLS THE WORLD.

So he is, a new, rotten, loathsome order, which

British people with their vigorous dictators are out to scotch.

But a section of our pleasant old British hard-shocks is still bent on the OLD order; THEIR old order.

Their ideal is the social status quo, in which for many decades they found such comfort. This aim directs their minds from full-blooded war effort. It cramps the style of their colleagues also.

My assumption is that they are hanging on, despite nation-wide adverse

### By "The Philosopher"

criticism, with the purpose of resuming this ancient order immediately the war is won.

They might as reasonably command the tide to halt its course.

Growing in the minds of British men and women is a desire for things better than those we so unspicily accepted in the past.

Let me tell Hitler the Damned that a new order will come to Britain all right, but it will be a new British order. Let me tell our hard-necks, too.

A healthier, fairer Britain will rise, in which men will be the chief end and not the mere means of production.

A new freedom will displace the old.

HOW OFTEN IN THE PAST HAVE BRITONS BRAGGED OF FREEDOM, AND ALSO PLAYED FAST AND LOOSE WITH REAL FREEDOM.

Men have been FREE to amass huge fortunes. They lauded this freedom which so often brought exhausting hours and meagre wages to others.

Vested interests have been FREE to close shipyards, mines and factories, and so create artificial shortages for the purposes of high prices and big dividends.

Property owners have been FREE to draw rents from wretched warrens.

Opposition, the old beguiling opposition, will fade away. And then the people will thank us, "The old freedom is dead. Long live the new."

"DEMOCRACY," WROTE CARLYLE, "WILL ITSELF ACCOMPLISH THE UNIVERSAL CHANGE FROM DECLUSIVE TO REAL, AND MAKE A NEW BLESSED WORLD OF US BY AND BY."

ever the real household economy drink. Meal times, and odd times, and especially when the siren goes, "go to it" and stir up a nice hot cup of Bournville Cocoa.

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# Workers Will Fight On T.U.C.'S PLEDGE

A FAIR  
COP!

## FIVE MILLION SOLID FOR GOVERNMENT

BY OUR INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

ONE THOUSAND DELEGATES, REPRESENTING 5,000,000 TRADE UNIONISTS, WILL ASSEMBLE AT SOUTHPORT THIS WEEK FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TRADES UNION CONGRESS.

Normally this assembly is the occasion for passing scores of resolutions criticising Government policy and emphasising how the interests and demands of workers are antagonistic to other sections of the community.

This year it will be different. Congress will pledge the solid support of Britain's workers to the Government's efforts for victory and the destruction of Hitlerism.

### ACTIVE ASSISTANCE

And the General Council, through General Secretary Sir Walter Citrine, will announce that the Congress is actively assisting the Government in this work by acting on several Government Committees advising the War Cabinet.

Moreover, Mr. Ernest Bevin ever a dominating figure on the Congress, is now holding a key position in the Government, and proving one of the most fearless, far-seeing and successful of wartime Ministers.

Mr. Bevin will attend the congress, but not as a delegate. He will attend as Minister and guest.

But a tumultuous reception is assured him, and he will return to Mr. Churchill with a guarantee of unwavering support from Britain's workers for any policy, no matter how vigorous, that is necessary for winning the war.

He will go back, too, with a message from the workers to the Premier, asking him to take all necessary measures to ensure that:

1. Cost of living is not allowed to rise unduly.
  2. No obstacles shall interfere with workers obtaining reasonable wage rates.
  3. No war profiteering should be allowed.
  4. Preparations are made, in advance, to prevent large-scale unemployment after the war.
- On all these points Mr. Bevin will be able to supply the workers with a provisional undertaking that the Government's policy is being framed along lines they desire.

He will explain, too, the policy that he is working out for the wisest possible utilisation of the national man power.

### STAR'S £13,000 GIFT

Hollywood, Saturday. Film star Cary Grant has sent the American Red Cross a cheque for £13,000, to be used for the purchase of supplies for Britons in need.

This sum represents his earnings from a picture which he completed recently at the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios on loan from the Radio-Keith-Orpheum Corporation, Reuter.



One of Goering's boys the R.A.F. knocked about a bit.

## Fair Play For All TAX MEN TO BE "MATEY"

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

INCOME-TAX OFFICIALS ARE GOING TO BECOME MUCH MORE HUMAN IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS THAN THEY HAVE EVER BEEN BEFORE, NOW THAT LARGE NUMBERS OF WORKMEN ARE GOING TO PAY TAX FOR THE FIRST TIME.

As taxes are to be deducted weekly from pay packets the Chancellor feels that large numbers of workers will be mystified by all the calculations that make their pay packets smaller.

So he has asked the tax officials to be "matey" and do what they can to see that every workman gets fair play, that he has all the difficulties and details explained to him, and that he is given every assistance in claiming rebates and allowances.

What is he to do if he gets married; if his wife has a baby; if he

engages a housekeeper; if he takes out a life policy, or if he takes responsibility for caring for the child of a relative killed in an air raid?

The tax officials, under the new "matey" policy, will tell him all this.

They will go along to his trade union branch meetings, to his "Club Night" at the local, to the pay office at his factory, or to the works canteen, and there go through his assessment form with him, and tell him anything he wants to know.

They will act as "mates" and private secretaries to the workmen, to ensure everything is in order and that no more tax is claimed than is legally due.

### WEDDING IN SHELLED CHURCH

ANTI-AIRCRAFT SHELLS WERE BURSTING ROUND AN ENEMY PLANE OVERHEAD WHEN A "WREN" AND A SOLDIER LEFT A S.E. COAST TOWN ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH AFTER THEIR WEDDING YESTERDAY.

The war atmosphere was completed by the shattered stained glass windows of the church. Both bride and groom wore uniform. W.R.N.S. formed a guard of honour.

The bride, Miss Mabel Dorothy Knowles, joined the W.R.N.S. at the outbreak of war when she became engaged.

Her bridegroom, Private William Edward Chandler, of the South Lancs Regt., whose parents live in Liverpool, is still on sick leave after being badly wounded at Dunkirk.

He left hospital only last week after 17 weeks, and rejoins his regiment in a few days.

### WHY THE SENTRY LEFT HIS POST

A sentry outside an A.R.P. depot in a S.E. London district escaped being blown to pieces by running from his box into an alleyway on Friday night, when he heard a bomb falling.

The bomb demolished his hut and left a big crater where he had been standing.

Two rescue parties sleeping in an annex of a building were hurriedly moved just before a delayed action bomb exploded.

### BRITON'S WIFE FREED

Bucharest, Saturday. The British Legation announced the release of Mrs. Esther Tracey, wife of the British oil expert, Capt. Tracey, both of whom had been detained on sabotage charges—B.U.P.

### MALTA RAIDER DOWN

Malta, Saturday. R.A.F. fighters shot down one enemy plane and so damaged another that it was unlikely to reach its base, during a raid on Malta yesterday. No British planes were lost, and no damage or casualties were reported.

# Warm Shelters For Everyone

£3,000,000  
A MONTH  
PROFIT—

By Our Industrial  
Correspondent

THE Dole Fund is now making a profit of £3,000,000 a month. Contributions are amounting to £5,000,000 a month, while payments of benefit are only about £2,500,000.

Increased numbers of people in employment, and paying contributions, are sending the income of the fund up on the one hand, while on the other hand reduced numbers of people out of work, and consequent reduced payments for benefit, are reducing the expenditure.

There are signs that the monthly profit will reach £4,000,000 before Christmas.

Part of the surplus is being used to pay off, long before it is due, the loan which the Exchequer made to the fund during the industrial slump, and other sums are being invested in War Loan and similar securities so as to help the Government's financial war effort.

## Reserved Bunks By The Million

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That is the plan which is now being worked out by Admiral Sir Edward Evans, London's O.C. Shelters.

"The intention," he said yesterday, "is that everyone shall have a shelter and be reasonably sure of a night's rest."

"If the public play their part, keep to the billets assigned them and not spread themselves too much, I am sure everybody can be accommodated."

"The season-ticket system will ensure that the right people go into the right shelters."

"Large numbers of these tickets will be printed in blank, and will be sent to A.R.P. controllers for distribution by chief wardens and shelter marshals."

"In this issue of tickets for Tubes and public shelters, mothers and younger children will be given absolute priority."

"Working men and women will come next. At present hundreds of them go to shelters after they have finished work only to find that the best billets have been taken."

They are left in the doorways, draughts, entrances, on escalators, and even standing where, if bombs fell, they might get the blast."

Sir Edward said that bunks would be fitted wherever they would not interfere with traffic, and heating would be supplied wherever necessary.

Footnote: The Admiral himself sleeps under his kitchen table.

## AIRMEN'S FIANCEES BARRED

Special to "The People"

AIR MINISTRY HAS RULED OFFICIALLY THAT PILOTS' AND AIRMEN'S FIANCEES CANNOT BE REGARDED AS "RELATIVES" FOR A NEW CONCESSION THAT HAS JUST BEEN ANNOUNCED, AND THE AIRMEN DO NOT LIKE IT.

The concession concerns men in hospitals, suffering from sickness or wounds.

Hitherto, where the man is married, it has been the custom to grant reduced fare railway vouchers to his wife to visit him.

Now, reduced fares have been extended to cover relatives if the man is unmarried.

But, in response to inquiries as to whether fiancées are included, the Air Ministry reply: "No."

"The men feel that this is unfair, for while they are in hospital many would like to be visited by the girl they left behind them."

Particularly those who have no mothers.

So the Air Minister will be asked, when Parliament reassembles, to extend the privilege to the "girls who love an airman."

## "WHISTLING BOMB" SCARE: MEN JAILED

From Our Own Correspondent

Dartford, Saturday.

WHILE enemy planes were about South-East England last night, A.R.P. Warden Alexander Gilbert heard what he thought was the sound of whistling bombs, and ran out of his post to look for them.

He found the noise apparently being made by two men close to a shelter in which women and children were trying to sleep.

This story was told in court here today when Robert Hallett, twenty, of West-st., Bexleyheath, and Sid-erth Jackson, eighteen, of West-st., Erith, were each sentenced to one month's hard labour for striking Gilbert with their fists.

Hallett was also fined £2 for showing a light in the black-out, and Jackson was fined £2 for obstructing P.C. Arthur Burgess while in the execution of his duty.

## U.S. ON BRITAIN'S HIGHER PATRIOTISM

New York, Saturday.

"The British Cabinet shifts reveal the stuff of which Churchill's leadership is made," says the "New York Post," commenting on the British Government changes.

"His first desire is to defeat Hitler and not to keep alive the control of his Government by his own Conservative Party."

"This is the higher patriotism and shows that the democratic spirit has had a genuine rebirth in Britain at the moment of greatest peril."—Reuter.

## WINTER WORK FOR UNEMPLOYED ACTORS

Following negotiations between a number of municipal authorities in various parts of England and Mr. Bernard Delfont, London variety booking agent, over 200 unemployed variety artists are assured of work during the winter months.

They will entertain evacuees in weekly programmes at local town halls and other available premises capable of seating large numbers.

## FAR-EAST BAN ON U.S. SAILORS' WIVES

Honolulu, Saturday.

BOOKINGS to Far East by families of American Navy personnel, via American merchant ships, have been cancelled here and at San Francisco. No explanation from naval authorities is forthcoming.

Replacement officers for Asiatic Fleet are proceeding to Manila without wives.

Shipping agents expect an influx of families of naval men and business men to America soon. There have, however, been no official orders for evacuation from the Far East.—Reuter.

## £300,000 DAY FOR WAR

Leicester's war weapons week up to yesterday morning had raised £1,504,888, an average of more than £300,000 per day. The city originally aimed at raising a million pounds.

## YOU CAN WIN £1,250!

### CROSSWORD No. 218

As the closing date for the receipt of entries in Crossword Competition No. 218 was extended to October 5, the result of this competition will not be announced until next Sunday.

torious entry in Crossword Competition No. 219, the closing date for which is Saturday, October 12. £250 will be divided between 1st runners-up, making the splendid sum of £1,500 in all. Turn to Page Eight now.

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## CAVALCADE OF THE R.A.F.

THE saga of the R.A.F. goes on, growing more enthralling from day to day as our young airmen pound remorselessly at the enemy in battles over London and over the invasion ports along the coasts of France and Flanders.

AND here the writer tells of some of their more unusual exploits, which officers and men have themselves been too modest to reveal.

# BOYS BEHIND THE GUNS!

HERE is the inspiring narrative of a young Australian, flying over South-east England, warding off the high-flying marauders. His oxygen apparatus blew up and his entire cockpit blazed into flame. The situation, as he said, called for a pretty quick exit. Out he tumbled, remembered to count one, two, three, tugged at his ripcord—only to find that something had gone wrong.

This young flier found himself upside down with his feet becoming enveloped in the opening chute. He was being killed by his toes. He wriggled and kicked. There was a splitting sound as the silk tore and then opened.

One entire panel of the parachute had been torn out. Down he came—snack!—in the middle of a field of potatoes. Then a crowd of land-girls came charging up with pitch-forks. Hardly had he convinced them that he was no enemy than a Home Guard stalked him with a rifle.

Have you heard, too, of the Blenheim fighter-pilot who demonstrated to the crew of a Heinkel bomber the English merit of tenacity? This was in the midst of those hit-and-run Nazi night raids.

Somewhere over North-west England, maybe some Fritz in the Heinkel flashed a torch while he looked at a map. That glimpse of a light, amid the stars, was sufficient for the Blenheim.

The British plane tailed the Nazi into the heart of the Midlands, back again towards the Yorkshire coast and out to sea.

## On The Target

Jerry had no time to release his bombs. The Blenheim was going full bat for at least an hour. The story of his exploit reached his home station in a series of radio messages. Forty miles out to sea the Blenheim pilot realised he was nearly out of petrol and would have to give up the chase.

He determined, however, to have one long shot with his front guns. The Heinkel was a quarter of a mile away, and it seemed a forlorn chance. But the Blenheim must have been dead on the target, for the Heinkel swerved and began to "ose speed."

Closer and closer crept our plane, still unleashing a withering fire. Right alongside, the Blenheim gunner let the Heinkel have a full broadside.

The Heinkel heeled towards the sea. There came a shattering roar. The pilot heard the gunner's victorious yell on the intercom. Then he was forced to switch off his engines and make a long glide back to England, home and no more.

One hears of the Nazi wrecks which sweep helplessly into England's woods or burn themselves out on England's commons. For the damaged Nazi, with so many miles to cover before reaching his home base, there is often no hope of a return journey. But one hears little of the R.A.F. wrecks who come down to be patched up and fight another day.

A squadron leader came back to his base in the Home Counties the other day. He had shot down 88 Junkers, but was almost apologetic because the cooling-mixture pipe of his Hurricane had been hit and forced him out of the scrap.

"That all?" asked the Intelligence Officer.

"Nothing much else," came the reply.

## Riddled Plane

Then they found a bullet in the sole of the squadron-leader's shoe. Bullets had chipped the hood behind his head. Others had hit the air screws and shattered three ignition leads. Each main plane was riddled. The pilot could have baled out with impunity, but he preferred to safety—and, incidentally, save his country a few thousand pounds.

"Why," he said, "There was nothing else I could do!" A Spitfire pilot was so badly shelled by a Messerschmitt that his fuselage was smashed through, his rudder controls cut away and the elevator cables and radio hit. His plane looked as if it were finished. But it reached its home base.

Pilot-Officer Dave Romans was flying as bomb aimer on an R.A.F. plane with the word "Horribly" painted large on its side. Low

over a primary target in Germany they released their bombs, made their way through a curtain of "flak," and then—a shell knocked the pilot unconscious.

The plane rolled from side to side and plummeted into a spin. Looking back, Romans guessed the trouble from the slump of the pilot's feet. Wriggling his way back from his forward position, he reached the cockpit, sat calmly down on the unconscious pilot's knees and flicked the plane back into harness.

The A.A. fire was both intense

By  
**Mark Priestley**

and accurate, and twenty minutes passed before other members of the crew could drag the pilot clear.

Romans gained the D.F.C. In the dry, official phraseology which seems to wrap untold intrepidity in cold words. "He further succeeded in flying the aircraft safely back to its base, which necessitated accurate navigation without assistance."

The proof of cold courage lies hidden in medical statistics. The sergeant-pilot of a Spitfire attacked a powerful force of enemy bombers coming over at 9,000 feet. The bombers replied with a severe blast of machine-gun fire. Unwounded, the sergeant-pilot continued the battle till his aeroplane had a wing shot clean off.

Then he baled out and flopped downward over a seaside town.

## Into The Sea

Death struck at him a second time when he found himself in peril of striking the house-tops. Vigorously he hauled on his shroud-lines and gradually drifted away from the danger-zone.... Into the open sea.

Even there he had frantically to struggle out of his harness and wait to be picked up by a motor-boat.

At the police station a medicol looked him over. Three times in twenty minutes he had escaped death. Yet his pulse rate was normal!

It takes nerve to fight on when there's nothing left in your guns.

Pilot-Officer D. G. Gribble had been on an offensive patrol over the French coast and had let them have everything he'd got.

Returning without a scrap of ammunition, he broke through a gap in the clouds to see six Dornier Flying Pencils swooping to attack a British food convoy.

Pilot-Officer Gribble has run the gamut of R.A.F. experience. With the destruction of three Messerschmitts to his credit, he has been on offensive patrols since the outbreak of war. He knows that the Dorniers have a sting. But without hesitation he zipped forward to lead two other pilots of his section to attack.

The Dorniers met him with a blast of cross-fire. Undeterred, Gribble turned and wheeled over them. They had no chance to bomb the convoy. Though they loosed a few ineffectual salvos, the German pilots were fully occupied in wondering how the Englishman could possibly be up to, zooming round them, led by a plane that didn't fire a single shot.

Eventually they decided that something unpleasant indeed must be in the wind—and made off as fast as their machines could carry them.

## Only Practice

In the last war, air aces won wild fame more quickly. This time, in a new tradition decreed anonymity for a thousand R.A.F. heroes. Only when bravery has been weighed in the scales by Intelligence Officers, the Group O.C. and the G.O.C.-in-Chief of the Command, only when recommendations have led to decorations—is the shield of silence smashed.

There are thousands of R.A.F. men with tough jobs whose names never gain the headlines.

How would you like to be regularly bombed by the R.A.F. as a routine job? That is the ordeal of the crews of the Air Force target boats. Men do not smile in the foreshortened instant aboard a target boat when the coxswain mutters, "Here she comes!" and the three 100 h.p. engines rev to full strength.

The speedster spurts a little faster, across the untouched shimmer of water. The Blenheim out on practice under working conditions whizzes a little nearer till the roar of its engine drowns

the panicky scream of the target craft. Zoom—and crash!

Smoke rises from the armoured boat. There may be rubber-mounted armour-plating, half an inch thick; the crew may wear topees lest the impact of the practice bomb knocks them unconscious.

Yet they all have to know how to swim in a gas-mask or how to get out from under should the target craft turn turtle. Lawrence of Arabia, as Aircraftman Shaw, chose to work on the target boats, because they offered the biggest mule's-kick excitement.

Or what price the ground crews? They also stand and wait—for a chance to show what they're made of. They have brought the timing for the refuelling of fighter aircraft down to split seconds. They roll out the bombs as though they were toys.

Garage hands of aviation, they are the oil-and-duster heroes of the air war.

## Kept In Tail

One mechanic, at a station in Surrey, crawled into the tail of a light training machine to investigate some minor detail. The young pilot and instructor arrived before they were due, clambered into the plane and started her up. With the roar of the engines they failed to hear the frenzied shouts of the imprisoned groundie. The overweight tail gave the instructor the first hint of the trouble.

It might have been a nasty business. The instructor narrowly averted a crash into a tree. Then he panicked into the next field—and out fell the ground mechanic, unhurt.

A "groundsmen" at one aerodrome spends his time inspecting the grass. He doctors the 'drome till every square inch of the field is perfect. When a bomb failed to explode he sighed with relief because it had scarce made a crater. Then he wheeled up his barrow, rigged a makeshift derrier and trundled the bomb out of harm's way.

This seems, too, to be the time and place to tell of the air-gunner who found himself left behind in an unmanoeuvrable plane, and failed to jump.

It was one of those queer incidents of the war when a plane which had been up on patrol was seeking its home base in extremely bad weather with no "isibility."

Wrapped in cloud at 17,000 feet, the pilot came right down to 300 feet to find himself practically in ground fog. Up he soared again, up to 5,000 feet, and then one engine spluttered and died.

It had become hopelesslyiced up. At any instant the other engine was liable to meet the

same fate. Despite this, the pilot attempted to maintain height. It proved impossible. The plane fell lower and lower.

At 2,500 feet the pilot signalled to his crew to jump. First his co-pilot, then his navigating officer and a gunner jumped. Then the pilot jumped himself.

In the rear cockpit a lone gunner crouched, unaware that the others had gone. His telephone wasiced up, and the others were unaware the message to jump had not reached him.

## Empty Seats

Entirely unaware of his peril, the gunner began to sing. He was convinced they were making a good course and nearing home when the plane crashed in flames.

A split second later, the gunner, to his astonishment suffering no hurt, but with loose wire entangling his neck, fought his way free and raced to the rescue of the others he supposed to be in the fore part of the plane.

No flame-scoured gunner was ever more surprised by the sight of empty seats. And when all five of the crew met again at the other four were never more startled to hear of the man they had deserted.

# Phosphates

Its importance in  
modern diet

Can anything be done to build up the defences of the individual, so that he can resist the manifold strains to which he is subject in war time?

Modern science says 'Yes'.

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## LIFE'S BIG PROBLEMS

I'D BE ASHAMED... I'D BE ASHAMED IF I WERE THE MAN I HEARD THE OTHER DAY DISMALLY PROCLAIMING BRITAIN WAS "SURE" TO LOSE... I'D BE ASHAMED IF I WERE ONE OF THOSE MONEY-GRABBING LAKE DISTRICT RESIDENTS LETTING SAFETY-AREA ROOMS AT EXTORTIONATE RENTS...

I'd be ashamed to boast that I could get all the butter or meat or petrol I needed...

I'd be ashamed to be one of those craven young men who shelter in the underground railways while women and babies risk bombs and shrapnel...

Those are only a few of the things I should not be particularly proud of doing or saying. There are many more I see and hear examples of them every day, as you do, too. I expect, for it seems that even in such times as these there still remain the selfish, self-centred good-for-nothings.

GOOD-FOR-NOTHINGS! It's a splendid name for them. Even our refuse and waste—material we once consigned to the dustbin—can be of some use in helping the country towards victory. But these parasites, who can think of nothing but feathering their own miserable nests and saving their own not-so-precious skins, are just so much grit clogging the wheels of our national effort.

HITLER MAY  
HAVE 'EM!

By The People's  
Friend

now the fight is on they want to be in it.

UNCOMPLAININGLY they shoulder each fresh burden placed upon them. No sacrifice is too great. It is enough for them that their country is in need.

And while they give and work and fight, the good-for-nothings sit comfortably back, shirking their responsibilities, helping no one but themselves.

Ashamed? Not they! Such a human emotion could never stir their hearts. If they read this it would probably be with their tongues in their cheeks.

"WHY should we bother?" they say. There are plenty of other willing hands without troubling us.

I'll tell them why they should bother. Because if England is good enough to live in, she's good enough to fight for! Because now is their chance to show some gratitude for many blessings.

And if they don't feel like doing so, then we don't want them around. They're the one and only part of this kingdom Hitler can have.

AND HE'S WELCOME!

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# What do I do...

if my home is made uninhabitable by a bomb?

I ask a warden or a policeman to direct me to the allotted Rest Centre. If I have relatives or friends to whom I can go, I apply to the Public Assistance Authority for a travel voucher. If my home is not completely destroyed, I go to the Town Hall or consult the Local Authority to see if and when temporary repairs can be done. If I have become separated from my family or my children and cannot find them, I ask for help at the nearest Citizens' Advice Bureau or the Police Station. (The Rest Centre or the Police will supply all these addresses.)

Cut this out—and keep it!

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Having been a sufferer with stomach trouble for the past few years, I feel that I must write and tell you the relief I got after taking a bottle of your Yeast-Vite.

I have been under treatment for years with the same old complaint, and each time I have got the same old medicine, and the same advice—don't eat this, and don't eat that—until I thought the best thing for me to do was to try and live on fresh air. Being a labourer and always using a pick and shovel this was impossible; a good square meal was essential for that sort of work, although I used to suffer afterwards, and work became a burden.

I have tried everything under the sun to try and get a little relief, but with the same result—only for a little time—until I saw your advt., so I thought I'd have a go at them. So with a faint heart and this thought running through my mind—"Here's 1/3 going west"—I bought a bottle, and believe me, after eating a meal I should not have eaten (beef pudding) and taking the tablets as directed, I felt very little pain afterwards. So I tried other meals which I was not to eat with the same results, so now I am not without a bottle of Yeast-Vite tablets. I have told somebody since that with the help of your tablets I believe could digest concrete only to advise me not to try. When I hear anyone complain about their stomach troubles, I always recommend Yeast-Vite to them.

Work is child's play to me again.

I remain

Yours truly,

(Sgd.) Mr. P. B.

# Germany LOOMING DESPAIR

in a Land Of Tragic Delusion



ALMOST all articles of everyday use are now rationed in Germany, where even the purchase of a newspaper requires a coupon. Here is a typical Berlin food queue.

# Today!

WHAT are the real conditions inside Germany? How does the German man in the street really regard Hitler and the rest of the Nazi leaders? Does Goebbels' propaganda still have the effect on them that it did before the war? These are some of the questions which will be answered in this new series of well-authenticated and informative articles, the first of which appears below. The writer is a Swiss commercial traveller. He speaks fluent German, and has regularly travelled all over the country before, during and since the last war. He knows Germany better than many Germans know it themselves, and he tells his narrative with accuracy and restraint.

By  
A Neutral Traveller

bringing back the casualties from the war area. "Many thousands," he added angrily. "Some are here and others—well, they are taken somewhere else." He, too, was anxious to know how long I thought the war would last. "Do your newspapers not tell you?" I asked. "Ach! Goebbels!" He grunted a disgust that saved further explanation. It was nine o'clock at night before the graceful spires of Nuremberg came into sight, and never were weary travellers more thankful. Our train went no further. Nuremberg was fairly crammed with men on leave. Walking around the wine shops and beer halls later on, I found them filled with the uniforms of every conceivable unit of the German Army. There was a black-out at 10 o'clock, but it made no difference. Everybody was singing and drinking, and everybody apparently concluded that final victory for their arms was just around the corner.

## BAD DEBTS

I went to bed in reflective mood, wondering whether these artless folk realised that the war had only just begun. But no money was to be had in Nuremberg. I called next morning on Kringer, the big jeweller near the Town Hall. He, too, was amiable itself, but when I mentioned a matter of £300 he owed my firm, he just shook his head indignantly and replied: "You see, Herr B., even if I gave you a cheque for the amount it would go through. It would have to wait until the Government had collected a sufficient account against your country before you might be paid." He said "might" in such a tone that I did not pursue the matter further; neither did I trouble about taking the order he wanted to give me. Nuremberg itself, once, so bright and cheerful, seemed in

the depths of depression; even the sausage shops, once such a feature of the place, were empty but for a lot of dirty-looking blood sausage and dishes of red and white cabbage. The mounds of cheeses that you could find around the town market, the savoury pork in many guises to which the Bavarians were addicted, had gone. So, for that matter, had the Nazis utterly destroyed the once-prosperous industries that had made Nuremberg famous.

## IN BERLIN

No longer, the shopkeepers told me, did Nuremberg toys go all over the world; the toys that used to be made by the peasants in the outlying villages. Vanished, too, was the once-famous lead pencil trade. The Nurembergers, despite being the cultured centre of Nazidom, didn't seem at all happy about Adolf Hitler.

At five o'clock the afternoon of my third day in slow trains I arrived in Berlin. There were three or four taxi-cabs about, but no hotel porters. I drove to my usual place, the comfortable Hotel Zentrale in the Friedrichstrasse, where my old friend Paul Steinbeck, the Danziger who knew everybody in the capital, informed me that they were full to the doors. I could well believe him; swarms of people, mostly officers, were passing in and out. Five o'clock tea, a popular institution in Berlin, was in full swing. "Better go to the Adlon, Herr B.," advised Paul. "You will get something to eat there, even if you are robbed. All the big people go there. Here, as you can see, we take anybody—even the 'young officers and their lady friends who think they are so wonderful.'"

So the Adlon in Unter den Linden it was. Their cheapest room was twenty-five marks a night, more than a humble commercial traveller could really afford.

I put my bag into the room,

## WHAT SAY YOU?

## Ten-Second Teasers

- 1.—It's a town in Australia; it's a world-renowned pack of foxhounds. Name it.
- 2.—It's a well-known sea; it's a type of deer. Name it.
- 3.—It's a creature with claws like a lobster; it has a sting in its tail, it's a whip armed with points of iron. Name it.
- 4.—It's a servile flatterer; it's a parasite; it's an informer; it's a word of nine letters. What is it?
- 5.—It's a kind of deer; it's a variety of cat; it's a type of duck. Name it.
- 6.—It's one who seizes or takes possession of a free or free position without right; it's one who enforces upon a position without right; it's a word of eight letters. What is it?
- 7.—It's a well-known canticle; it's a word of nine letters; it's a word of nine letters. Name it.
- 8.—It's a soft or semi-liquid food made by boiling meal, etc., in water or milk till it thickens; it's a broth or stew of vegetables or meat. Name it.
- 9.—It's a large field-tent; it's extremely popular on the occasion of garden parties; it's a word of eight letters. Name it.
- 10.—It's the name of a character in Sheridan's "Rivals"; she was well-known for her grotesque misrepresentation of words. Name it.
- 11.—It's a rope or tackle for hoisting or lowering masts, sails, or flags. Name it.
- 12.—It's a badge of office or honour; it's a distinguishing mark or sign. It's a word of eight letters. What is it?

(ANSWERS IN PAGE TEN.)



DANGER OF COLDS & SORE THROATS

The coming winter will be a bad one for those persons who take cold easily, with its nights spent in the shelter, usually underground and in crowded company. Colds and sore throats thrive under such conditions. Therefore—use Milton regularly and prevent them from coming. For your nose—use the Milton Nasal Spray. For your throat—use a simple gargle of 1 teaspoonful of Milton to 1 tumbler of tepid water. The whole treatment will take you no more than three minutes. It kills all the germs you have breathed in during the day, prevents further infection for a considerable time, leaves you feeling delightfully clear and refreshed, and does not prevent any infection from developing. Milton will positively prevent any infection from developing.

## PURE AIR IN YOUR SHELTER

Even on cold nights the shelter gets stuffy after it has been occupied and smoked in for hours. The best way of purifying the air is by spraying with Milton. For convenience use the Milton Nasal Spray. This is a far more efficient and hygienic than stirring up the dust with a fan or spraying a strong-smelling disinfectant. If you use Milton the air is immediately refreshed and cleansed of smoke and germs.

## IMPORTANT—WATER POLLUTION

After an air-raid you may find your local water mains damaged and the supply polluted. Do this: add five drops of Milton to each half-pint tumbler of water and leave it standing for five minutes. Then every germ will have been destroyed and the water made pure and safe to drink. You won't taste the Milton!

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Why does Milton relieve catarrh so effectively? Because this great antiseptic has the unique power of dissolving the thick heavy mucus which causes the trouble. For catarrh is only a symptom. The mucus is formed by the mucous membrane to get rid of germs that are inflaming it. When Milton is applied the mucus is dissolved, the germs are destroyed and washed away, however deeply embedded they may be.

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These sufferers found quick relief with Milton

"I had been a sufferer from nasal catarrh for about ten years and was losing my grip on life... I decided to give Milton a try... I have been completely banished the catarrh. Now I can hear better, see better, and feel better in every way, and I feel life is worth while." (Signed) W.P.

"I send this note of appreciation because I use my relief to your wonderful preparation. Several friends of mine have called me for instructions how to proceed in curing catarrh, and all have said that they have found relief from the treatment and to have continued with its use." (Signed) K.E.K.

## USE THE MILTON NASAL SPRAY

The Milton Nasal Spray has been specially designed and made for use with Milton. The container holds sufficient mixture for a day's treatment. The hygienic nozzle and rubber bulb ensure a proper distribution in the form of a superior, highly penetrative vapour. This spray is also excellent for throat spraying when—as is often the case with children—gargling is difficult or impossible.



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## London's Tip for Tired Feet

A lot of Londoners these days are sleeping with their shoes on. This, added to transport difficulties during the day, is giving feet a hard time. But London has found a way to keep them spry, fresh and sweet—lodine in your shoes. The simplest way of doing this, with carpet-slipper comfort, is with Simpson's Iodine Soles. Put them in your shoes and know what foot-jog really is—in three minutes! The warmth of your feet drives off iodine vapour. Your instep pores absorb it, and the circulation is whipped up, keeping fresh blood moving from heel to toe. No staleness, no sweatiness. A boon to Warden Home Guards, all travellers and especially the Forces. Send a pair to your fighting boy. He needs them urgently. Be sure to get genuine Simpson's Brand Iodine Soles, bearing the portrait of J.W. Simpson. Price 1/6d. from chemists. If difficult, post free on receipt of price from J.W. Simpson Chemical Ltd., Dept. S.21, Bartlett's Passage, Peter Lane, London, E.C.4. Would you like a free trial of Iodine? Outint for your first trial kit? Just send postcard—Advt.

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## 5 ways to MORE SCHOOLGIRL COMPLEXIONS WITH LESS PALMOLIVE

More women are demanding Palmolive. But olive oil now has war-work to do. So there is less available for making Palmolive Soap. But here are five ways in which you can help to ensure that the inevitable restriction of the number of tablets of Palmolive available does not mean that women must give up their schoolgirl complexions until peace returns.

1. Don't leave Palmolive in bath or basin.
2. Don't lather lavishly—do it out of the water.
3. Don't brush away half the tablet on your nail brush—a little makes a big lather.
4. Don't leave the tablet lying in water. Keep it in a perforated soap dish.
5. Don't be selfish—and buy up all the Palmolive in the shop.

Remember—every single tablet of Palmolive contains the same generous amount of olive oil as in pre-war days. And it still costs only 3½d. a tablet.





## ANALYSIS OF *Lady Cecilia Smiley's* FEATURES

1. *Hair:* Brown with golden lights.  
2. *Forehead:* Unlined, very white.  
3. *Eyes:* Hazel with thick, dark lashes. No lines at the corners.  
4. *Nose:* Straight, beautifully formed with fine-textured skin.  
5. *Shape of Face:* A perfect oval.  
6. *Mouth:* Full, with sensitive lips.  
7. *Chin:* Firm, pointed, with smooth ivory skin quite without blemishes.

Lady Cecilia Smiley, daughter of the late Earl Cowley, has lovely regular features and a skin that's as smooth and fine as a child's.

"I'm doing farming as my war-work, so I'm out in all weathers and have very little time to spend on my looks," says Lady Cecilia. "Nevertheless my skin is every bit as smooth and soft as it used

to be—and it's entirely thanks to Pond's wonderful creams."<sup>23</sup>

Most women can't spend time these days on long beauty treatments. So it's encouraging to hear from such a lovely person as Lady Cecilia Smiley that Pond's Creams are all you need to keep your skin in perfect condition.

Why don't you try Lady Cecilia's simple beauty care? At night when you go to bed cleanse your skin thoroughly with Pond's Cold Cream. Then leave a little on to lubricate your skin and smooth out lines.

Then, in the mornings, pat on Pond's Vanishing Cream before your powder. It protects you from roughness and provides a velvety base on which your powder clings miraculously.

After only a few days of this simple treatment, you'll open your eyes at the wonderful improvement in your looks!

**P.S. Everyone's using POND'S *Lipstick*. Are you?**



# BOMBS DON'T STOP TRADE

IF THE HITLER-GOERING AIM WAS SERIOUSLY TO IMPEDE COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY IN THE GREATER LONDON AREA, A MONTH OF INTENSIVE DAY AND NIGHT BOMBING HAS SIGNALLY FAILED, AS LONDON'S EXPORT INDUSTRIES CONTINUE TO DELIVER THE GOODS FOR MARKETS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

Inquiries addressed by the Board of Trade to member firms of export groups and trade associations in the Greater London area give conclusive proof that the overwhelming majority of works engaged in export trade are keeping up their full production and are making deliveries to contract time for overseas.

Even in the most heavily bombed areas works which have been repeatedly hit have been able to adapt themselves quickly to "front line" conditions and make arrangements whereby production can go ahead.

A typical example is a works in the neighbourhood of the docks employing 1,200 people. This works has been bombed eight times in three weeks. Every known type of bomb has fallen upon one or other sections of the works.

A big carpenter's shop, the general stores, a large paint shop and a metal working shop were gutted. Stocks of raw materials were destroyed. The principal generator was put out of action. Yet the managing director is able to report only two days after the latest raid that output is already back to nearly 70 per cent. of normal and is increasing daily.

A manufacturers' trade association of more than 600 firms in the Greater London area states that only six or less than 1 per cent. have suffered damage from bombs.

## ONE IN 4,500

Within a week arrangements had been made whereby all six works were able either to resume full production or to transfer their operations to other premises under a mutual assistance scheme similar to that worked out by most of the export groups.

London Chamber of Commerce has a membership of 9,000 firms engaged in every branch of light and heavy industry. Fewer than 20 of these firms have notified the Chamber of the necessity to move to temporary addresses owing to damage caused by bombing.

All the firms continue to "deliver the goods."

In one industry the Chamber organised a mutual assistance scheme under which 80 firms agreed to assist one another in the event of dislocation caused by bombing. So far not one of the firms has found it necessary to call for assistance.

The London General Export Merchants' Group states that merchant house inquiries indicate widening rather than diminishing export activity.

One merchant house in the City whose premises were destroyed by bombs a few nights ago was able, with the assistance of the group, to resume business elsewhere next day.

On the other hand, a manufacturing firm whose factory on the outskirts of London was destroyed has taken new premises in the heart of the City. This, in itself, is an answer to the German claim that business in the City has been brought to a standstill.

## HURRY UP WITH TOMMY'S PARCEL!

The Postmaster-General reminds the public that letters and parcels intended for Christmas delivery to members of H.M. Forces in the Middle East (including Malta), India and the Far East should be posted not later than October 8.

## ITALY ADMITS TRANSPORT SUNK

ITALY YESTERDAY ADMITTED THE LOSS OF A TRANSPORT IN THE HARBOUR OF BENGAZI, LIBYA.

The full communiqué reads: During an armed reconnaissance flight over Malta an air fight developed in which a Gloucester machine was shot down and one Hurricane fighter probably brought down also.

One of our planes failed to return.

In North Africa Italian motorised units put to flight enemy formations of armoured cars and tanks south-east of Sidi Barrani.

The enemy air force raided Bardia and Tobruk, causing slight damage and no casualties.

Other enemy air attacks were directed on the harbour of Bengazi, causing three deaths and twenty-eight persons injured amongst the military and civilians. One transport ship was sunk.

Two enemy planes were shot down, one of them by the anti-aircraft of the Royal Italian Marine.

In East Africa our patrols encountered enemy formations near Addis, south-east of Walji.

## U.S. RUSH TO AID EVACUEES

SO great has been the flood of inquiries from all over America as to how help can be given to British child evacuees that the United States Committee for the care of European children has issued a 24-page pamphlet as to the best ways and means.

In addition to some 2,500 people, who come in person each week to the committee's offices in New York, to inquire about evacuees, thousands of letters and telephone calls are received each day.

The committee reveals, in its booklet, that while it is trying to find as many families as it can, able and willing to assume full support of a child, it is accepting offers from people with good homes and a steady income who cannot meet the necessary cash outlay.

## GERMAN WASHED ASHORE

The body of a German airman was washed ashore at a Kent town yesterday during a fierce air battle and near a spot where salvage men were trying to recover bodies buried during a recent bombing attack.

# Waste Orgy Protest By M.P.s "DRONES" WITH BIG SALARIES

## "THE WAY TO A MAN'S HEART"



The stuff they give 'em at a Ministry of Food Communal Centre in South London.

## Mothers' Surprise WONDERS OF WALES!

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Cardiff, Saturday.

LONDON MOTHERS AND CHILDREN POURING INTO WALES DURING THE PAST TEN DAYS ARE SURPRISED TO FIND THAT THE AREA IS NOT CROWDED WITH COAL-PITS, AND ALL THE HOUSES COVERED WITH COAL-DUST.

A Shoreditch mother, who with her four children found refuge in a mining valley, told me:—

"This is all different to what I expected. The hills are covered with heather; there are woods and green fields and little streams. I haven't seen any coal dust; in fact, I haven't yet seen a coal mine."

Her eyes filled with tears. "And the people are kind. Why I haven't nursed my baby for several days. The women here just say, 'Now, just you take it easy; we'll look after the baby.' I shall never forget their kindness."

Here's a cameo of how Wales is taking the influx of mothers and children from London:—

Mrs. White and her two children, bombed from three homes in London, arrive penniless in the village of Saunders Foot.

Villagers get together and, within twelve hours, a house is found for Mrs. White and her babies, completely furnished and stocked with food.

Rhondda Valley has thousands of child evacuees since the war. Yet, when hundreds of mothers and babies came in the other day, Pontypriod councillors gave them a civic welcome.

## TROPHY FOR SCRAP

Townsppeople at Downham Market, Norfolk, have decided to break up, for scrap, their German field-gun, a trophy of the last war.

# "SACKINGS IN HIGH QUARTERS"

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE WHOLESALE WAY IN WHICH THE TAX-PAYER'S MONEY IS BEING WASTED BY SEVERAL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF AN EARLY FULL-DRESS DEBATE IN THE COMMONS.

Staggering examples of this waste will shortly be disclosed in a report of the Committee on National Expenditure, which is free to investigate the finances of any Ministry. A draft of the report is now in the hands of the Prime Minister.

There will be some sacking in high places before the matter has been finally dealt with.

Private M.P.s have had many examples of waste brought to their notice by business men, especially those carrying on contracts for Government Departments.

## MONEY FOR NOWT

Some of the matters that will be raised in the debate include big salaries for doing nothing.

So many officials and directors have been appointed in certain of the newly expanded wartime departments that there is nothing for them to do.

In some of the old departments, whose work has largely disappeared as a result of the war, the original officials are still sitting pretty and drawing their big pay without having any work.

Apart from losses incurred as a result of military operations—which cannot be helped—large-scale waste of food and materials has been discovered in connection with the administration of the Army.

Food is still being wasted in large quantities. Thousands of commandeered motor vehicles have been kept standing by doing nothing, except mulcting the taxpayers in big retaining fees to be paid to the owners.

Military contracts have been placed with firms at prices which some M.P.s with expert knowledge will allege are far too high.

Large tracts of land have been bought by Service departments; expensive work in preparing the land has been carried out. Then the department has decided it does not want the land, after all! Buildings have been requisitioned, and have been kept empty.

Sometimes two or three departments, unknown to each other, were negotiating for the same property for different uses.

There is going to be a grand Parliamentary inquest to find out the reason for all these scandals.

## THAT'S A BIG ONE!

A radish 15 in. long has been grown by Mr. A. F. Scott, at Holt, Norfolk.

# NO MORE STRIKES

BY OUR INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

UNDER the urgent demand for more war production strikes and lock-outs have almost disappeared from British industry.

The Ministry of Labour, in issuing its monthly report on industrial disputes for August, points out that only 13,000 working days were lost during the month.

Those concerned were only on strike or locked out for a day or two—sometimes for less than one working day.

# "The People's" Secret Service News

HITLER has given orders for the printing of several million copies of a Manifesto—in various languages and dialects—for distribution among all nationalities, races and tribes in Africa. It is headed "Hitler plans to rescue Africa from the British yoke."

Whatever effect the propaganda may have, it at least indicates one part of the world in which Hitler may strike an early blow.

The activities of certain Czarist Russians in London are being closely watched. Some of these people had intimate relationships with the German Embassy before the war, and were frequent visitors there during the time Von Ribbentrop was Ambassador.

MORE than half a million German refugees from Berlin and the Rhineland are now settled in Northern France. They have first claim on the food supplies of that area, with the result that the French peasantry and workers are going short.

Rations for the French have been fixed at one-half of that allowed for the German refugees for sugar and two-thirds for meat. No milk is allowed for adults, and only black bread.

In order to ensure that no Frenchman or Frenchwoman gets more than the meagre allowance of food under the ration system, 10,000 Food Snoopers have been appointed by the German rulers in occupied France.

PEOPLE who have managed to get out of Paris say that Berliners who have arrived there as refugees from the R.A.F. bombing are nervous wrecks. Their morale is badly shaken. In the main, they are people of leisure.

If they have cracked up so badly, say the people who have got out of Paris, it is easy to imagine what must be the state of mind of the poorer Germans who are forced to work night and day.

FOR informing their factory comrades of the damage done in Berlin by R.A.F. raids, more than a hundred German workers have been sentenced to imprisonment during the past fortnight. The sentences in some cases are as long as 10 years.

Goering has given orders that complete secrecy must be observed with regard to this bombing.

GOERING has offered a prize of £10,000 to the German inventor who can design a power-driven gun turret like

those in use on several classes of British planes.

His own pilots, who have to swing their guns round by hand while their planes are travelling at two or three hundred miles an hour, have been pleading that they are helpless against the power-operated turrets in British planes.

The "clever" German scientists and engineers, who are always supposed to be one step ahead of their British opposite numbers, have been left badly behind in this particular respect.

Czechs are complaining at the rottenness of the salted horseflesh which is the only meat now obtainable. The explanation is that all the sound horses have been transferred to Germany for farm work and food.

Food riots are reported from all over Belgium. The news is being brought out by Americans, who blame the shortage on the seizing of all warehouse stocks and livestock by the German requisitioning authorities.

GERMAN authorities in Holland and France are taking advantage of the fact that some big capitalists of those countries may put their financial interests before their patriotism.

They are, therefore, nego-

tiating with them for the merging of their factories and firms with companies in the same line of business in Germany. Some such mergers have already been effected. The Germans thus get co-operation instead of sabotage and obstruction in the production of their war material.

THE food rationing scheme has broken down in Vienna. After waiting all day in queues, housewives are told that there is nothing left in the shops.

"Black markets" for unofficial trading have sprung up, and huge prices are demanded for the butter, meat and eggs which the racketeers sell at these secret establishments.

Polish farmers and peasants have been instructed to hand to the German authorities their stocks and crops of wheat, barley, oats and rye, less a small amount that they are permitted to keep for farming requirements.

By a "generous act of grace on the part of the Fuehrer," as the official ukase puts it, all Polish prisoners of war in Germany are being released from their camps. Instead they are to be employed on a slave labour basis on the farms and in the forests. In both these departments Germany has an acute shortage of labour.

## He'd Hate To Be Like His Neighbour

Husband (in court): The cause of the trouble in our home is that a neighbour of mine doesn't drink and my wife thinks I should be as miserable as he is.

Wife: I didn't tell my husband to leave. I just told him his presence was superfluous.

Wife: The only recipe I know for happiness is the handing over by the husband to the wife of his wage packet intact every week.

Clerk: Why, if you and your wife are in agreement, has she summoned you?

Husband: She has for a long time now wondered what I would look like in the dock.

Husband (summoned for not maintaining his wife): My wife has no cause for complaint. I am the most generous of husbands. I give her a kiss before I leave home and when I return.

## Leave For Love

# CUPID'S DARTS HIT A.T.S.

By Our Military Correspondent

ROMANCES are on the increase among the girls of the A.T.S. Applications for leave in order to get married are mounting in every unit.

No obstacle is put in the way of any girl desiring to marry. And she finds her officers sympathetic if she needs a week-end off to visit her husband. Some of them are managing to get transferred to districts and duties where they can live in "billets" at home, with their newly-wedded husbands.

## C.O.'s FIX IT

Others marry soldiers in garrison towns where they themselves are stationed, and though they live in respective camps, the commanding officers are always ready to arrange for husband and wife to have their off-duty and leave together.

Some are marrying munition workers, and applying for permission to leave the service, so that they can settle down in their own homes and look after the housekeeping.

Applications for discharge in such cases are usually granted without trouble. Many of these romances spring up at the garrison and camp dances organised jointly by the Army and A.T.S. authorities; others at the homes of families on whom A.T.S. girls are billeted.

The A.T.S. administrators look with favour on these romances and do all they can to help them. Their only regret is where an efficient girl soldier, on deciding to marry, also decides to leave the Service. But they put no obstacle in the way of the girl's happiness.

## BOOKS FOR PRISONERS

An appeal by the Danish Red Cross Society for English and French books, to be sent to Allied war prisoners in Germany, has been broadcast by the German-controlled Copenhagen radio.

"Only books likely to be passed by the censor should be sent," the appeal stated.—Reuter.



## your Best way to overcome it

A DEQUATE sleep of the right kind—fully nerve-restoring and energising—is of particular importance in these times of tension. If sleep is liable to be lost or broken, special steps should be taken in order to safeguard your reserves of nerve strength.

First, it is important to be able to resume sleep whenever it is broken. Moreover, every hour of sleep must be fully restful and nerve-restoring—even after short or broken sleep you should awaken physically and mentally revitalised. For these purposes 'Ovaltine' possesses outstanding advantages. Although entirely free from drugs, 'Ovaltine' soothes the nerves and helps you to fall asleep quickly. Moreover, it ensures that your sleep is nerve-restoring sleep of the best kind.

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IF you imagine that slimming is a tedious business—involving tiresome exercises and special diets—you're very much out of date.

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## A.R.P. Red Tape REBUKED FOR SAVING LIFE

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

**ALLEGATIONS THAT RED TAPE IS HOLDING UP THE WORK OF FIRST AID AND RESCUE PARTIES ARE TO BE MADE IN PARLIAMENT BY A NUMBER OF LONDON M.P.S.**

One case is that of a unit in a London suburb.

A bomb fell some distance from the post and, hearing that there were people underneath the debris, the members turned out with their ambulance and began rescue work. They saved some of the victims.

Later they were reprimanded for turning out without waiting for orders from headquarters.

**BOUGHT OWN TOOLS**  
In another London borough, the wardens at several posts have been issued with a niggardly amount of equipment.

When they asked for more stirrup pumps and picks and spades, they were told that they would have to buy them out of their own pockets.

Rescue squads all over London are also complaining that they have not enough tools with which to move the debris of fallen houses, even when people are trapped underneath.

Yet all over the country large quantities of builders' and contractors' excavating machinery are standing idle.

## WAR SAVINGS MILLIONS POURING IN

**LAST** week the war savings campaign raised a total of £9,932,203, of which £2,878,553 was from the sale of Savings Certificates, £2,139,650 from Defence Bonds and £4,914,000 from increase in balance due to depositors in the P.O. and Trustee Savings Banks.

Since the opening of the campaign £156,486,576 has been raised by Savings Certificates and £155,841,120 by Defence Bonds; the balance due to depositors in the Post Office Savings Bank and Trustee Savings Banks has increased by £74,464,000—a grand total of £386,791,696.

**WEYGAND IN DAKAR**  
Berlin, Saturday.  
General Weygand has arrived in Dakar from Tunis, according to a German News Agency dispatch from Rome.—Reuter.

## 'My nerves feel steadier'

WRITES MR. H. BILSTON

London, N.W.1.  
"After trying Phosferine I must write and confess I have felt the benefit. My nerves feel steadier, I certainly get hungry and am ready for any meal. My greatest trouble—sleeplessness—is conquered. I have never felt so well as I do now thanks to Phosferine."

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## If Your Home Is Bombed—

# RAID COMPENSATION SOON

FOLLOW MY LEADER!



Evacuee children from the bombed areas of London get a new kick out of life at the L.C.C. nursery, Ashford, Middlesex.

## America Ready to Fight "WE'VE NEVER LOST A WAR"

—Col. Knox

Washington, Saturday.

**"IF A CHALLENGE COMES, THE UNITED STATES NAVY WILL MEET IT ON THE HIGH SEAS, AND THE ARMY ON THE BATTLEFIELD," DECLARED COLONEL KNOX, SECRETARY OF THE NAVY, IN A SPEECH TO POLICE OFFICERS TODAY.**

"It is your duty to see that no one stabs them in the back while they are thus engaged," he added.

Colonel Knox described the Axis Triple Alliance as "aimed at the United States of America."

"America," he declared, "has never tamely submitted to intimidation."

"All of us are today living through one of the most pregnant hours in human history."

He referred to a possible "test," and added: "God knows whether that test will be on the battlefield or a test of will."

Uttering a warning against possible Fifth Column activities, Colonel Knox went on: "We must isolate and put where they can do no harm those secret forces within our own borders who would harm us."

"If a fight is forced on the United States, we shall be ready. We have never lost a war yet."

"We are the largest obstacle in the path of the Totalitarian Powers. Should Britain fail to stem the tide of ever-advancing tyranny, we shall find ourselves surrounded by these international brigands, whose greatest victory

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## AXIS PLAN TO CONQUER THE NEAR EAST

There will be an intensification of the blockade. There will be bombing of Italy. And the preparations are going steadily forward with the training of the British Army which in due course is to invade the Nazi countries of the Continent.

Hitler will use all his weapons—diplomatic as well as military—in this new peace-cum-war offensive.

He is doing his best to persuade France to declare war on Britain—and with this end in view is considering an offer of greater powers and more freedom to the Pétain Government.

Indications that the two dictators have decided on joint military action including a drive through Egypt towards Suez, are strengthened by reports from unusually reliable quarters in Rome.

Marshal Graziani, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of the Italian forces in Libya, has returned to Rome to await Mussolini's return from the Brenner Pass, according to these reports (see B.U.P.).

He is expected to confer with the Duce regarding the beginning of the Italian offensive in Egypt. A statement issued to journalists in Berlin pointed out that the meeting of the Dictators took place

at a time when England "has to defend not only the Empire and the Thames, but also Suez."

"Both Axis Powers," it was stated, "are determined to pursue their future policy in the diplomatic as well as the military sphere, uncompromisingly, until it is decisive, overpowering England without granting her a breathing spell and crushing her."

Such boasting created no impression in U.S.A., where some observers believed that the Dictators discussed a possible rapprochement with Russia.

"The New York Times," commenting on the meeting, said:

"These dictators don't usually meet unless they have troublesome problems to solve. It can be assumed that they tried to co-ordinate future plans, but each possible move had its drawbacks for one partner of the other."

A German drive towards the Balkans, with the Iraq oilfields as the glittering prize, would cut into the Italian sphere of influence and risk complications with Turkey, and perhaps Russia.

A combined Axis drive against Egypt might expose both men and supplies to the guns of the British Fleet and raise a delicate question between German and Italian leadership.

## FULL VALUE OF HOUSE MAY BE PAID

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

**IF YOUR HOME IS A COTTAGE OR A SMALL VILLA, AND IT IS DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BY NAZI BOMBS, YOU WILL PROBABLY GET IMMEDIATE COMPENSATION FROM THE GOVERNMENT.**

The compensation will cover the full value of the property or a substantial part of it.

This is likely to be announced in the House of Commons soon.

The Treasury Committee which has been investigating the question of compensation for air raid damage has completed its investigations, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer hopes that the Cabinet will be able to decide soon how the compensation scheme will work.

The recent intensification of Nazi bombing has somewhat altered the situation since the last Parliamentary announcement was made by the Prime Minister.

But the Government still desires to make the compensation as embracing as possible, and to pay as much as possible at once.

**SAVINGS LOST**  
One point that the Government is bearing in mind is that the owner of a small house has frequently sunk his whole life-savings in it.

Agreement has already been reached about the compensation to be paid for damage to railway property. Urgent action has been necessary there in the interests of national security and the maintenance of communications.

In connection with gas works, electricity works, waterworks and other public utility organisations, agreement has been reached on a similar basis to that of the railways. Here again the necessity for immediate replacement and repair is urgent in the national interest.

The question of small shops, up to a certain value, is likely to be dealt with without difficulty.

**FACTORIES**  
But the question of large industrial plants and factories is causing some trouble.

It may be necessary to separate them into two groups—

Those urgently needed for war production, which will be compensated immediately.

Those doing luxury and non-essential work, where compensation can be considered later on.

There will be no difficulty about the shadow factories and many of the plants engaged on direct munitions production, for the Government is already financing their construction and equipment.

**NEW YORK  
CHEERS FOR  
WINSTON**

New York, Saturday.  
AUDIENCES in some of the big cinemas in New York are giving striking demonstrations of their sympathies with Britain.

Loud clapping and cheering broke out when newsreels which have just reached America showed Mr. Churchill's buoyant, as ever, and puffing vigorously at a cigar, inspecting air raid damage.

There was a similar demonstration when the King was shown amid ruined buildings, and another when the Union Jack was shown flying from the transferred American destroyers.—B.U.P.

## TINNED MILK ONLY BY LICENCE

Condensed milk manufacturers are required to make and sell their products only under licence, by a new Ministry of Food order.

They are also prohibited from delivering on sale condensed milk under any agreement made before September 30, because they may have difficulty in fulfilling existing long-term contracts.

**FIREMEN FROM CANADA**  
Ottawa, Saturday.  
Plan to send Canadian firemen to England for the purpose of fighting German bomb damage is being considered by Dominion Government.—Exchange.

## STOP PRESS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1940.

**CHANNEL PORTS  
BOMBED**  
The R.A.F. carried out a violent assault upon Channel ports last night. The whole of the French coast from Dunkirk to Boulogne became a blaze of light, because the clouds were low, was reflected upon the South Coast.

**LAST NIGHT'S  
LONDON RAIDERS**  
German plane, apparently unaccompanied, was over London area flying high and fast. As this machine approached the barrage—which was like a mass of flames upon the horizon—appeared to veer away without attempting to attack.

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## ANOTHER U.S. FACTORY EXPLOSION

Terre Haute, Indiana, Saturday.  
THE fourth big explosion in a little over three weeks wrecked the Commercial Solvent Company's chemical works at Terre Haute, Indiana, yesterday.

There were three distinct explosions at the factory. The whole city was shaken.

Six tank cars loaded with alcohol are near the blazing building and cannot be removed, so that more heavy explosions are feared.

One person was trapped in the building, but nine others escaped.

Other recent explosions have occurred at an army arsenal at Pictatin, New Jersey, at the Hercules powder works at Kenil, New Jersey, and at a Clairton, Pennsylvania, chemical works.—B.U.P.

## THEY DEFIED BOMBS TO SAVE HOP HARVEST

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

**BRITAIN'S BITTER IS SAFE FOR ANOTHER YEAR. THE LAST OF THE KENT HOPS WAS GATHERED IN YESTERDAY.**

Hitler's bombers tried hard to terrorise the workers in the hopfields. But they failed.

Three weeks ago it seemed that the greater part of the harvest would be lost. The hops hung thick on the vines, but there was no one to pick them.

**LEFT KITCHENS**  
Then, as if by magic, thousands of pickers arrived from the East End of London. Village housewives left their kitchens to help them pick the hops.

School teachers came too. Many of them brought their school-children with them.

Soon the harvest was in full swing.

And then the bombers came. For hours during the day dogfights raged overhead as British fighters intercepted the raiders. Shrapnel from A.A. guns and bullets often showered down on the fields.

But the pickers stuck to their task. They refused to go to the shelter trenches and kept on picking while their eyes were on the air battle over their heads.

**"MAGNIFICENT"**  
"We did not lose an hour's work because of the raids," one farmer told me yesterday. "The workers were magnificent. Even the children weren't afraid of bombs or shrapnel."

"At one time I feared that I would not gather in a tenth of my hops. Today I watched the last one being picked."

"Many of my amateur pickers refused to take any pay for their work."

"Some told me to give the money to the local Spitfire Fund. Others told me to hand it over to the Red Cross."

## ANOTHER BILL TO BE MET...

...WHEN BOB'S SHOES COME BACK FROM THE MENDERS

HEY MUM, THERE'S A HOLE IN MY SHOE!

OH DEAR! THESE EXTRA EXPENSES DO WORRY ME SO

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